

HOUSE VOTERS AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
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48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2007

A JOINT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 4, SECTION 10 OF THE
CONSTITUTION OF NEW MEXICO TO LIMIT REIMBURSEMENTS TO MEMBERS OF
THE LEGISLATURE FOR EXPENSES DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE DUTIES OF
THEIR OFFICE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED FIFTEEN PERCENT OF THE
ANNUAL SALARY PROVIDED FOR JUSTICES OF THE NEW MEXICO SUPREME
COURT AND TO PROHIBIT MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE FROM USING
CAMPAIGN FUNDS FOR NON-CAMPAIGN-RELATED EXPENSES.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. It is proposed to amend Article 4, Section 10
of the constitution of New Mexico to read:

"A. Each member of the legislature shall receive:

~~[A.]~~ (1) per diem at the internal revenue
service per diem rate for the city of Santa Fe for each day's
attendance during each session of the legislature and the

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underscored material = new
[bracketed material] = delete

1 internal revenue service standard mileage rate for each mile
2 traveled in going to and returning from the seat of government
3 by the usual traveled route, once each session as defined by
4 Article 4, Section 5 of this constitution;

5 [B.] (2) per diem expense and mileage at the
6 same rates as provided in Subsection A of this section for
7 service at meetings required by legislative committees
8 established by the legislature to meet in the interim between
9 sessions; and

10 [C.] (3) no other compensation, perquisite or
11 allowance; provided that nothing in this section shall prohibit
12 members of the legislature from being reimbursed for expenses
13 directly related to the duties of their office in an annual
14 amount not to exceed fifteen percent of the annual salary
15 provided for justices of the New Mexico supreme court.

16 B. A member of the legislature shall not expend any
17 campaign funds for expenses other than campaign-related
18 expenses."

19 Section 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution
20 shall be submitted to the people for their approval or
21 rejection at the next general election or at any special
22 election prior to that date that may be called for that
23 purpose.